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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: John Slaby et al.  
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Title: AN APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING ACCESS TO A SERVICE OVER A COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

Examiner: Melvin Pollack  
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Docket No: 1365.007US1

**PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME** RECEIVED

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In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Office Action mailed September 9, 2003, said period of response being extended from December 9, 2003 to March 9, 2004.

**Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0743 in the amount of \$475.00 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to deposit Account No. 19-0743.**

Respectfully Submitted

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